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Re: TSCA Section 8(e) Notice: R&D Pesticidal Chemical [], Initial Submission

Dear Mr. Gross:

Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. requests that the specific chemical identity and code number shown in brackets in this letter are treated as Confidential Business Information. We enclose a sanitized copy of this letter for the public file.

In accordance with EPA's March 16, 1978 policy on Section 8(e) reporting under the Toxic Substances Control Act, and EPA's June 1991 TSCA Section 8(e) Reporting Guide, Syngenta Crop Protection wishes to bring to your attention certain information from a 90 day preliminary oncogenicity study in the mouse conducted in the laboratories of Syngenta Crop Protection AG, Switzerland with the chemical substance [] (CAS name). The CAS Registry Number is []. This substance is also known internally under the designation [].

Significant increase in liver weight together with liver histopathology findings (periportal eosinophilia) seen in females at 2000 & 5000 ppm and in males at 5000 ppm. These findings had previously been seen in the 28-day preliminary mouse study but they now presented at a lower dose level (previously 7000 ppm).

[] is a research and development compound being evaluated for pesticidal purposes. These evaluations are being conducted under the supervision of technically qualified personnel, knowledgeable in handling potentially hazardous chemicals.

Please contact the undersigned if you require additional information. For administrative question contact Trina Brodie at 336.632.2062.

Very truly yours,

Janis McFarland

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